

# Northwest Forest Plan/Tribal Monitoring Module

## Interview Questionnaire

### INTRODUCTION

Results of the July 2000 Pilot Study indicated the need to revise the original questionnaire to make it easier to use and understand, after analyzing tribal responses to assess the effectiveness of the pilot questionnaire. In 2001, the NWFP Tribal Monitoring work group shortened the original questionnaire, consolidating redundancy, resulting in versions of questions 1-11 that have been exclusively used in the initial eight tribal monitoring interview sessions accomplished between 11/26/02 and 2/13/03. Based upon interactions with tribal government officials during this period and other feedback, the following set of 14 questions was adopted for Tribal Monitoring Module implementation in July 2003. (Please note the option to provide a single response per item, or to respond individually for each agency and/or field office):

- 1) Have written consultation protocols been developed?
- Are they adequate for government-to-government consultation?
  - Are they adequate for potential effects on tribal lands or tribal interests?

| <i>Consultation Protocol Developed?:</i> | <i>Adequate for Consultation?:</i>   | <i>Adequate for Potential Effects?:</i> |
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| *Single Answer for All: Yes___ No___     | *Single Answer for All: Yes___ No___ | *Single Answer for All: Yes___ No___    |
| A _____: Y___ N___                       | A _____: Y___ N___                   | A _____: Y___ N___                      |
| B _____: Y___ N___                       | B _____: Y___ N___                   | B _____: Y___ N___                      |
| C _____: Y___ N___                       | C _____: Y___ N___                   | C _____: Y___ N___                      |

- 2) Is the tribe aware of federal policy guidance available for tribal consultation when agency plans, projects, programs or activities have the potential to affect resources, uses, or areas of interest to tribes, including tribal lands? Are federal procedures adequate to identify direct and indirect effects to activities on tribal lands?

| <i>Policy Guidance Available?:</i>   | <i>Procedures Adequately Identify Effects on Tribal Lands?:</i> |
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| *Single Answer for All: Yes___ No___ | *Single Answer for All: Yes___ No___                            |
| A _____: Y___ N___                   | A _____: Y___ N___  |
| B _____: Y___ N___                   | B _____: Y___ N___  |
| C _____: Y___ N___                   | C _____: Y___ N___  |

- 3) Over the past ten years, has the tribe been consulted on federal agency plans, projects, programs or activities that might affect tribal resources, tribal uses, or areas of interest to tribes?

- How frequently?

| <i>Has the Tribe Been Consulted?:</i> | <i>How Frequently?:</i>       |
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| *Single Answer for All: Yes___ No___  | *Single Answer for All: _____ |
| A _____: Y___ N___                    | A _____: _____                |
| B _____: Y___ N___                    | B _____: _____                |
| C _____: Y___ N___                    | C _____: _____                |

- Does the tribe participate with the PACs?
- Has the tribe been involved in watershed analysis?

| <i>Tribe Participates with PACs?:</i> | <i>Tribe Involved in Watershed Analysis?:</i> |
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| *Single Answer for All: Yes___ No___  | *Single Answer for All: Yes___ No___          |
| A _____: Y___ N___                    | A _____: Y___ N___                            |
| B _____: Y___ N___                    | B _____: Y___ N___                            |
| C _____: Y___ N___                    | C _____: Y___ N___                            |

- Provide examples of effects, such as to resources, uses, or areas of interest.

| <i>Examples:</i>              |
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| *Single Answer for All: _____ |
| A _____: _____                |
| B _____: _____                |
| C _____: _____                |

4) Over the past ten years, has tribal information been incorporated into federal planning documents and decision-making processes, in a manner such that tribes can recognize their contributions? Did tribal contributions result in any changes to federal actions or considerations for resources of interest? If so, please explain.

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| <b><i>Tribal Input Incorporated?:</i></b><br>*Single Answer for All: Yes___ No___<br>A _____: Y___ N___<br>B _____: Y___ N___<br>C _____: Y___ N___ | <b><i>Tribal Input Changes Results? Explain, if so:</i></b><br>*Single Answer for All: Y___ N___ Explain_____<br>A _____: Y___ N___ Explain_____<br>B _____: Y___ N___ Explain_____<br>C _____: Y___ N___ Explain_____ |
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5) Over the past ten years, have agencies consulted or collaborated with tribal governments to develop plans for future monitoring, restoration, or assessment projects, or for other planning efforts?

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| <b><i>Agency Collaboration with Tribal Government to Develop Plans?:</i></b><br>*Single Answer for All: Yes___ No___<br>A _____: Y___ N___<br>B _____: Y___ N___<br>C _____: Y___ N___ |
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6) What is the level of the tribal government's involvement in ESA?

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Section 7 consultations?</li> </ul>  | Low___ 1___ 2___ 3___ 4___ 5___ High___ |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Section 10 consultations?</li> </ul> | Low___ 1___ 2___ 3___ 4___ 5___ High___ |

7) Over the past ten years, how have the exercise of tribal rights or access to resources and/or areas of tribal interest on federal lands been changed? Is this in any way due to implementing the NWFP standards and guidelines?

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| <b><i>How Has Tribal Exercise or Access on Federal Lands Changed?:</i></b><br>*Single Answer for All: _____<br>A _____: _____<br>B _____: _____<br>C _____: _____ | <b><i>Due to Implementing NWFP S&amp;Gs?:</i></b><br>*Single Answer for All: Y___ N___ ?___<br>A _____: Y___ N___ ?___<br>B _____: Y___ N___ ?___<br>C _____: Y___ N___ ?___ |
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8) Is the tribe aware of procedures that have been put in place to provide for:

- Protecting sensitive tribal information from unauthorized access or release?
- Incorporating tribal traditional knowledge in the development of management actions?
- Protecting cultural sites on federal land?

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| <b><i>Protect Sensitive Tribal Information?</i></b><br>*Single Answer for All: Yes___ No___<br>A _____: Y___ N___<br>B _____: Y___ N___<br>C _____: Y___ N___ | <b><i>Incorporate Traditional Knowledge?</i></b><br>*Single Answer for All: Yes___ No___<br>A _____: Y___ N___<br>B _____: Y___ N___<br>C _____: Y___ N___ | <b><i>Protect Cultural Sites on Federal Land?</i></b><br>*Single Answer for All: Yes___ No___<br>A _____: Y___ N___<br>B _____: Y___ N___<br>C _____: Y___ N___ |
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9) What are the conflicts over the use or management of resources or areas of tribal interest? Over the past ten years, have these conflicts increased or decreased? Is this a result of implementation of the NWFP and associated government-to-government consultation, including efforts to resolve conflicts? Are the conflict resolution processes adequate?

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| <b><i>What Are the Conflicts?</i></b><br>*Single Answer for All: _____<br>A _____: _____<br>B _____: _____<br>C _____: _____   |  |  |
| <b><i>Conflict Trend:</i></b><br>*Single Answer for All: Increase___ Decrease___<br>A _____: Increase___ Decrease___<br>B _____: Increase___ Decrease___<br>C _____: Increase___ Decrease___ | <b><i>Due to NWFP Consultation?</i></b><br>*Single Answer for All: Y___ N___ ?___<br>A _____: Y___ N___ ?___<br>B _____: Y___ N___ ?___<br>C _____: Y___ N___ ?___ | <b><i>Adequate Conflict Resolution?</i></b><br>*Single Answer for All: Y___ N___<br>A _____: Y___ N___<br>B _____: Y___ N___<br>C _____: Y___ N___ |

10) Please compare consultation before the NWFP (i.e., prior to 1994) and today, 2003.

*Compare Consultation Today and Prior to NWFP (pre-1994):*

\*Single Answer for All: \_\_\_\_\_  
 A \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_  
 B \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_  
 C \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_

11) How would the tribe describe the success of implementing the NWFP?

- Are the relationships between the tribe and the federal land management agencies improved?
- Are tribal rights and interests, access, and resource conditions associated with federal agency lands unchanged over the past ten years
- Is the tribe satisfied with the outcomes of government-to-government consultations or conflict resolution processes?

| <i>Are Relations Improved?:</i>   | <i>Interests/Access/Conditions Unchanged?</i> | <i>Is Tribe Satisfied with Outcomes?:</i> |
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| *Single Answer for All: Y___ N___ | *Single Answer for All: Y___ N___             | *Single Answer for All: Y___ N___         |
| A _____: Y___ N___                | A _____: Y___ N___                            | A _____: Y___ N___                        |
| B _____: Y___ N___                | B _____: Y___ N___                            | B _____: Y___ N___                        |
| C _____: Y___ N___                | C _____: Y___ N___                            | C _____: Y___ N___                        |

12) Has the tribe exercised treaty rights or addressed tribal interests associated with National Forests and BLM public lands and resources? Please provide examples, if you wish.

\*Single Answer for All: Y\_\_\_ N\_\_\_ Example(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 A \_\_\_\_\_: Y\_\_\_ N\_\_\_ Example(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 B \_\_\_\_\_: Y\_\_\_ N\_\_\_ Example(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 C \_\_\_\_\_: Y\_\_\_ N\_\_\_ Example(s) \_\_\_\_\_

13) How is federal (FS/BLM) forest management compatible with what the tribe values about those lands?

\*Single Answer for All: \_\_\_\_\_  
 A \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_  
 B \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_  
 C \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_

14) Are there actions that would strengthen and enhance federal-tribal relations?

- Tribal responses and follow-up
- Federal line official(s) follow-up [*responses also, if available*]

\*Single Answer for All: \_\_\_\_\_  
 A \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_  
 B \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_  
 C \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_  
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